

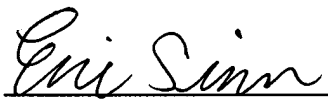
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-26 are pending. Applicants elect with traverse Group I (claims 1-19 and 25). The restriction requirement is traversed because examination of all pending claims would not constitute a serious burden. Applicants further elect "biomarkers" in response to the species election requirement. Claims 1-19 and 25 read on the elected group and elected species

Applicants earnestly solicit an early and favorable examination on the merits. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if additional information is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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